

## **FCCRB Volunteer Agreement to Serve**

The Utah Foster Care Citizen Review Board depends on the committed service of trained citizen reviewers to achieve the vision and mission of the FCCRB. Our vision: "Every child deserves a safe, secure, healthy, permanent home with a family." Our mission: "The Foster Care Citizen Review Board provides periodic case reviews for children who are in the custody of the state. These reviews are independent and confidential, and provide recommendations for permanency. Citizens impact policy and practice by reviewing case file documents, meeting with interested parties to discuss progress toward permanency for the child, and establishing an environment where children, parents and caseworkers are willing and able to provide their perspective and input in the decisions that affect their lives."

*Your committed service is appreciated and necessary for each foster child and their family.*

### **I understand that I agree to:**

1. Complete the National Association of Foster Care Reviewers (NAFCR) training.
2. Observe a juvenile court proceeding during the first year of service (if possible with court).
3. Maintain a respectful, nonjudgmental demeanor in reviews and in all dealings with those involved in cases.
4. Represent the Foster Care Citizen Review Board in a professional manner, to include appropriate attire and demeanor.
5. Notify the Board Coordinator at least ten days prior to the review if attendance is not possible, unless unexpected events occur.
6. Maintain the confidentiality of review information
7. Prepare for the review by reading the packet and completing the worksheet prior to the scheduled review day.
8. Attend reviews consistently, arrive on time, and stay until the end of the day.
9. Participate actively in the review process, which includes taking a turn as the waiting area coordinator and contributing to the findings and recommendations for the Dispositional Report.
10. Complete eight hours of relevant training each year (after the first year).
11. Discuss any questions, concerns or suggestions with my Board Coordinator.

### **Length of Service**

I understand my first ninety- (90) days of service, beginning with my first assigned review day, is a probationary period. *(This is not applicable if you are already a FCCRB volunteer)*

I understand this Agreement to Serve is in effect for a minimum of one year from the date of signing, which may or may not be renewed annually.

### **Confidentiality Agreement**

***I solemnly swear/affirm that I will faithfully execute my duties as a member of the Utah Foster Care Citizen Review Board. In so doing, I shall act solely in what I believe to be the best interest of the child. I shall protect the confidentiality of all information disclosed during the review process and any information related to a case I may learn outside the review. I understand that such information may only be disclosed when authorized by law, and that by breaching this oath of confidentiality I may be subject to administrative or legal action.***

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Signature & Date

*Eff. 4/20/01*